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AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes

January 10, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 am by Chairman Randy Mealhow at Auburn City Hall, Room 10. Present were: Randy Mealhow, April Maynard, Aloha Baumgarten, Joyce Silva, Lee Buckingham, Rob Turner and Judi Lardner.

A quorum was established and the December 13, December 27, and January 3 Minutes and Notes accepted as written.

Public Comment: Lisa Canfield and Nancy Hakala were welcomed to the meeting. Randy asked if another AAC member could be responsible for getting agendas to Amy Lind, since he will be out of town during the next several months. Lee agreed to take over this responsibility.

Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge Gallery Show: There was a general discussion about the gallery show, touching on the Council's approval the night before, the importance of getting the word out, the need to choose judges, and the possibility of overflow display space(s).

Auburn Arts in the Park: Joyce reviewed job assignments: Rob – Publicity and marketing; Aloha and Judi – Artists; April – Music; Lee – Site Coordination. Rob said that he could publicize the event through realtors' flyers. There was much discussion about the beer/wine garden, including where it should be located (Joyce prefers on the grass near the stage), and which wineries to approach (Rob suggested talking to Gary Moffat at Carpe Vino). Lee reviewed the site map and possible locations for and number of artists' booths. Bob Richardson stopped by and spoke about logistics. He confirmed that the community garden area could be used and said we should budget \$200 for Porta Potties. The deadline for submitting materials and getting on the January 23rd Council agenda is the end of the day on Tuesday, January 17th. It was decided to hold a special meeting on Friday, January 13th in order to finalize the budget and prepare the report to the Council. Joyce said she would contact Bruce Cosgrove of the Chamber to ask about the use of a P.A. system.

Art Walk: April said she wants to make sure that music for the 2012 Art Walks will be funded.

Goal Setting: Judi requested that the AAC formally adopt goals at its next regularly scheduled meeting. She also mentioned Council member Hanley's suggestion that the AAC sponsor a plein air competition and thought the idea should be discussed when we choose goals for the year.

Mural projects: Nancy said she met with Casey of Dawson Oil and inspected the Dawson tanks mural. She said that the paint is thin and fading and that it will be hard to preserve the mural if something isn't done soon. She believes the mural should be repainted by hand and then sealed properly. Randy asked Nancy to put together a proposal detailing work to be done, costs, etc. and get the information to Bob Richardson.

Auburn Arts in the Park (con't): Bernie Schroeder stopped by and said that trash receptacles for the festival have been taken care of and that a water hookup will be available. Electricity will also be available but she needs to know the load requirements.

AAC vacancies: Randy said that Nancy has applied for the opening on the AAC. Nancy described her professional background, including her work as a muralist, teacher and grant writer. After Nancy left the meeting, the AAC voted by acclamation to recommend to Council that Nancy be appointed to the AAC.

Public Art Loan Program update: Randy said that he and Lee were going to meet with Jennifer Johnson Riley to discuss her proposal to display one of her sculptures in Central Square. Judi said that she would like to attend as well.

The next regular meeting will be on February 14, 2012 at 8:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 am
Respectfully Submitted,
Judi Lardner, Secretary